

settlements, that they so foolishly parted with in the first instance."

"I wrote a paper on this subject and read it before the Agricultural Society at Learmonth about 1860. It was not acted on, and hence the terrible results, with our Estate gone, and only a little over 1,000,000 people and in many instances large numbers of them not well off. With a public debt of £50,000,000, almost all the taxes of the old country are in force here, including the income or war tax. It is well worth pondering over our condition by any reflecting writer who will work out the cause and effect.